

## Henry Waxman: A man of many bills

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Rep. Henry A. Waxman (D-Calif.) [announced Thursday that he will retire](#) after serving 19 terms in the House of Representatives. Known as a prolific legislator, he played a major role in the passage of numerous laws over his four decades in Congress. Here are some of the laws he has helped pass. (*Source: House Energy and Commerce Committee Minority Staff*).

1980s-1990s - Repeated expansions of Medicaid

1980, 1986 and 1996 - Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments

1983 - Orphan Drug Act

1984 - Waxman-Hatch Generic Drug Act

1984 - Comprehensive and Smoking Education Act

1986 - Comprehensive Smokeless Tobacco Health Education Act

1986 - National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act

1987 - Nursing Home Reform Act

1988 - Lead Contamination and Control Act

1990 - Ryan White CARE Act

1990 - Nutrition Labeling and Education Act

1990 - Safe Medical Devices Act

1990 - Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990

1992- Mammography Quality Standards Act

1992 - Prescription Drug User Fee Act

1992 - Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act

1993 - National Institutes of Health Revitalization Act

1996 -Food Quality Protection Act

1997 - Child Health Insurance Program in 1997 (expanded in 2009).

2006 - Postal Accountability and Enhancement Act

2009 - Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act

2010 - Reduction of Lead in Drinking Water Act

2010 - Formaldehyde Standards for Composite Wood Products Act of 2010

2010 - 21st Century Communications and Video Accessibility Act

2010 - Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act

2011 - Food Safety Modernization Act

2013 - Drug Quality and Security Act

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